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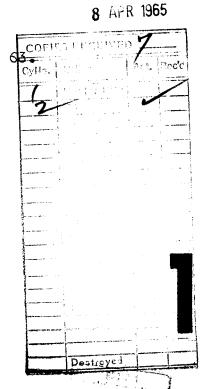
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NPIC REVIEW OF MISSION BR 1478 DATED 30 MARCH 1965 REVEALS
THE FOLLOWING STATUS OF TCHEPONE HIGHWAY BRIDGE AND FERRY CROSSINGS
ACROSS THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER) AT 1641N 10613E 1.4 NM NW OF
TCHEPONE, LAOS. FOUR-SPAN, STEEL TRUSS BRIDGE IS UNSERVICEABLE
WITH EAST SPAN PARTIALLY COLLAPSED AND EAST CENTRAL SPAN TOTALLY
COLLAPSED. FERRY CROSSING OBSERVED 0.1 NM NORTH OF BRIDGE CONSIST
OF TWO TOW LINES CONNECTING EAST BANK OF RIVER TO SANDBAR MIDSTREAM AND A FORD OF SUNKEN LOGS FROM MIDSTREAM TO WEST BANK.
FERRY CROSSING OBSERVED 0.1 NM SOUTH OF BRIDGE WITH A PARTIALLY
CAMOUFLAGED FERRY TIED TO WEST BANK OF RIVER 0.2 NM SOUTH OF BRIDGE.

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